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Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Beaver Union Cemetery Pike County 4140 Beaver Pike Road Beaver, Ohio 45613

To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

Mary Jaylo

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June 21, 2007

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# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Beaver Union Cemetery Pike County 4140 Beaver Pike Road Beaver, Ohio 45613

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Beaver Union Cemetery, Pike County, Ohio (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Cemetery has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

While the Cemetery does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Cemetery has elected not to follow GAAP Statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Cemetery as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances of the Beaver Union Cemetery, Pike County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, 743 E. State St. / Athens Mall Suite B / Athens, OH 45701-2157

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and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The Cemetery has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 21, 2007, on our consideration of the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Mary Jaylo

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

June 21, 2007

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental Charges for Services Sale of Lots Interest Miscellaneous	\$39,311 4,500 1,295 617 10
Total Cash Receipts	45,733
Cash Disbursements: Salaries Supplies Utilities Equipment Repairs Insurance Public Employees' Retirement Worker's Compensation Taxes Miscellaneous	10,349 670 406 1,310 2,061 1,972 1,697 302 1,836
Total Cash Disbursements	20,603
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	25,130
Cash Balance, January 1	98,318
Cash Balance, December 31	\$123,448

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Cash Receipts: Intergovernmental Charges for Services Sale of Lots Interest Miscellaneous	\$39,155 6,100 2,075 468 1,760
Total Cash Receipts	49,558
Cash Disbursements: Salaries Supplies Utilities Maintenance Insurance Audit Fees Public Employees' Retirement Worker's Compensation Miscellaneous	11,358 200 299 4,706 1,927 3,102 1,605 769 2,163
Total Cash Disbursements	26,129
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	23,429
Cash Balance, January 1	74,889
Cash Balance, December 31	\$98,318

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

## 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges for the Beaver Union Cemetery, Pike County, Ohio (the Cemetery), as a body corporate and politic. Marion Township, Beaver Township and the Village of Beaver appoint a three-member Board of Trustees to direct cemetery operations. These entities provide funding to meet the Cemetery's operating costs under the agreement which established the Cemetery. The accompanying financial statements present this funding as Intergovernmental Receipts. The Cemetery provides grounds maintenance, opening and closing of graves, and the sale of grave lots.

The Cemetery's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Cemetery is financially accountable.

### B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. This basis recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

### C. Cash

The Cemetery has a checking account and a certificate of deposit which are valued at cost.

### D. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The financial statements report acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment as capital outlay disbursements when paid. The financial statements do not report these items as assets.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

## 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Cemetery maintains a cash pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 follows:

	2006	2005
Demand deposits	\$122,448	\$97,318
Certificates of deposit	1,000	1,000
Total deposits	\$123,448	\$98,318

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Cemetery.

#### 3. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Cemetery's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as the Ohio Revised Code prescribes.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2006, OPERS employee members contributed 9 percent of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributes an amount equal to 13.7 percent of participants' gross salaries. For 2005, OPERS employee members contributed 8.5 percent of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributes an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2006.

### 4 RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.



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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Beaver Union Cemetery Pike County 4140 Beaver Pike Road Beaver, Ohio 45613

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Beaver Union Cemetery, Pike County, Ohio (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated June 21, 2007, wherein we noted the Cemetery followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Cemetery's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Cemetery's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Cemetery's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Cemetery's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We did note certain noncompliance or other matters that we reported to the Cemetery's management in a separate letter dated June 21, 2007.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Mary Jaylo

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

June 21, 2007





**BEAVER UNION CEMETERY** 

**PIKE COUNTY** 

## **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

CERTIFIED AUGUST 2, 2007

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